

# FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD

APPELLANT: Marianne Rosen
DOCKET NO.: 23-43644.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 04-20-200-036-0000

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Marianne Rosen, the appellant, by attorney Glenn L. Udell, of Brown, Udell, Pomerantz, DelRahim in Chicago; and the Cook County Board of Review.

Based on the facts and exhibits presented in this matter, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>A Reduction</u> in the assessment of the property as established by the **Cook** County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

**LAND:** \$73,181 **IMPR.:** \$66,319 **TOTAL:** \$139,500

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

#### **Statement of Jurisdiction**

The appellant timely filed the appeal from a decision of the Cook County Board of Review pursuant to section 16-160 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-160) challenging the assessment for the 2023 tax year. The Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of the appeal.

#### **Findings of Fact**

The subject property consists of a 2-story dwelling of stucco exterior construction with 5,845 square feet of living area.<sup>1</sup> The dwelling was built in 1995 and is approximately 27 years old. Features of the home include a basement with finished area, central air conditioning, a fireplace, a 3-car garage, and an inground swimming pool.<sup>2</sup> The property has a 52,272 square foot, or 1.21 acre, site and is located in Northbrook, Northfield Township, Cook County. The subject is classified as a class 2-09 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parties differ regarding the subject's dwelling size. The Board finds the best evidence of dwelling size to be the appellant's appraisal which contains a sketch with measurements of the subject home.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The parties differ regarding the subject's features. The Board finds the best evidence of features to be the appellant's appraisal which was based on an interior and exterior inspection of the subject on February 2, 2022 and includes photographs of the subject's finished basement area and inground swimming pool.

The appellant contends overvaluation as the basis of the appeal. In support of this argument the appellant submitted an appraisal estimating the subject property had a market value of \$1,395,000 as of February 2, 2022. The appellant disclosed in the appeal petition that the subject property is an owner-occupied residence. The Board takes judicial notice that the subject property was the subject matter of an appeal before the Board the prior tax year as Docket No. 22-49818 in which the Board issued a decision lowering the subject's assessment to \$139,500. Based on this evidence the appellant requested a reduction in the subject's assessment to \$139,500.

The board of review submitted its "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" disclosing the total assessment for the subject of \$168,558. The subject's assessment reflects a market value of \$1,685,580 or \$288.38 per square foot of living area, including land, when applying the level of assessment for class 2 property under the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance of 10%. The board of review disclosed 2022 was the first year of the general assessment cycle for the subject and that no equalization factor was applied in Northfield Township in 2023.

In support of its contention of the correct assessment the board of review submitted information on three comparable sales located in the same assessment neighborhood code as the subject. The comparables have varying degrees of similarity to the subject in dwelling size, age, site size, and features and sold from June 2021 to March 2022 for prices ranging from \$512,000 to \$2,950,000 or from \$243.58 to \$379.70 per square foot of living area, including land. Based on this evidence the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

In written rebuttal, the appellant argued the appellant's appraiser selected five comparables located close in proximity to the subject and similar to the subject in dwelling size, age, bedroom count, and/or bathroom count.

# **Conclusion of Law**

The appellant contends the market value of the subject property is not accurately reflected in its assessed valuation. When market value is the basis of the appeal the value of the property must be proved by a preponderance of the evidence. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.63(e). Proof of market value may consist of an appraisal of the subject property, a recent sale, comparable sales or construction costs. 86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.65(c).

The Board finds, pursuant to section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/16-185) a reduction in the subject's assessment is warranted. In pertinent part, section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides:

If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel on which a residence occupied by the owner is situated, such reduced assessment, subject to equalization, shall remain in effect for the remainder of the general assessment period as provided in Sections 9-215 through 9-225, unless that parcel is subsequently sold in an arm's length transaction establishing a fair cash value for the parcel that is different from the fair cash

value on which the Board's assessment is based, or unless the decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board is reversed or modified upon review.

The Board finds that the subject property was the subject matter of an appeal before the Board for the 2022 tax year under Docket No. 22-49818 in which a decision was issued based upon the evidence presented by the parties reducing the subject's assessment to \$139,500. The record further disclosed the subject property is an owner-occupied dwelling. The Board also finds that the 2022 and 2023 tax years are within the same general assessment period and no equalization factor was applied in Northfield Township in 2023. Furthermore, the decision of the Board for the 2022 tax year has not yet been reversed or modified upon review and there was no evidence the subject property recently sold establishing a different fair cash value. Applying section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code would result in a reduced total assessment of \$139,500, which is less than the 2023 assessment of the subject property of \$168,558.

This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code. Pursuant to Section 1910.50(d) of the rules of the Property Tax Appeal Board (86 Ill.Admin.Code §1910.50(d)) the proceeding before the Property Tax Appeal Board is terminated when the decision is rendered. The Property Tax Appeal Board does not require any motion or request for reconsideration.

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## **CERTIFICATION**

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

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# IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year or years of the same general assessment period, as provided in Sections 9-125 through 9-225, are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal Board's decision, appeal the assessment for such subsequent year or years directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A <u>PETITION AND EVIDENCE</u> WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR OR YEARS. A separate petition and evidence must be filed for each of the remaining years of the general assessment period.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.

# PARTIES OF RECORD

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